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Appln. No.: 09/960,537	
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Title: Retractable Column and Method of Forming	Group Art 3637 Unit:

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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In response to the Office Communication dated March 24, 2003, for which  
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**IN THE CLAIMS**

Withdraw claim 24 as directed to a non-elected invention without prejudice to applicant's  
rights to reassert this claim in this or a related application at a later date.